

CHINESE 1B: ELEMENTARY CHINESE (Spring 2018) COURSE INFORMATION & SYLLABUS

Description:

Chinese 1B is a beginning level course. It is an introduction to Mandarin Chinese for speakers of English with beginner level knowledge of the language. It is assumed the students have no previous knowledge of spoken or written Chinese. Focus is on developing students' speaking and listening abilities to handle most common situations in daily life in China. Based on the needs of the students, the instructor will also teach Chinese writing and introduce Chinese culture.

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Class Times and Classroom

Tue and Th 6:30-8:00 at Room 102, Confucius Institute of Rutgers

COURSE WORK

Learning a language, especially one as difficult as Chinese, is a very demanding task. You are required to attend every class, and to participate in class activities actively.

GROUND RULES

1. You are expected to attend all classes.
2. All homework assignments should be finished and handed in before the class begins.
3. Please feel free to come to my office hours when you have questions that cannot be satisfactorily solved during class time, or simply when you need extra help. But you should not get in the habit of missing class and then trying to make up what you missed during our office hours.

Welcome to class! We hope you enjoy learning Chinese and discovering the world that the language opens up for you.

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Week 1

- Tue 1/16 Course Introduction & Review
- Thur 1/18 **Lesson 3** 你家有几口人 (Part1)

- Pronunciation Drills
- Chinese Character Structure: Radicals and Strokes
- Learn Characters (Hànzi): 这 · 那 · 地方 · 多大 · 可爱 · 口
- Homework: Hànzi on practice sheets

Week 2

- Tue 1/23 **Lesson 3 你家有几口人 (Part2)**
 - Learn Characters (Hànzi): 学校, 学生, 大概, 没有, 万, 千
 - Grammar : 量词 (Measure Word)
 - Text and dialogue: “你们班有多少个学生?”
 - Homework: Hànzi on practice sheets
- Thur 1/25 **Lesson 4 这张地图是英文的 (Part1)**
 - Learn Characters (Hànzi): 地图, 知道, 比较, 有意思, 一下
 - Grammar: Subject + Verb (+ Object)
 - Chinese Character Structure: Radicals and Strokes
 - Homework: Hànzi on practice sheets

Week 3

- Tue 1/30 **Lesson 4 这张地图是英文的 (Part2)**
 - Pronunciation Drills
 - Learn Characters (Hànzi): 本, 谁, 请问, 非常, 有用, 词典
 - Grammar and Review : 量词 (Measure Word)
 - Homework: Hànzi on practice sheets
- Thur 2/1 **Lesson 5 能不能试一试 (Part1)**
 - Learn Characters (Hànzi): 会, 一点儿, 比较, 买, 块 (元)
 - Text: “这件衣服多少钱? ”
 - Classroom activity (课堂活动)
 - Homework: Hànzi on practice sheets

Week 4

- Tue 2/6 **Lesson 5 能不能试一试 (Part2)**

- Pronunciation Drills
 - Learn Characters (Hànzi): 来, 最, 好吃, 饺子, 菜, 汤
 - Grammar and Review : A — A
 - Homework: Hànzi on practice sheets
- **Thur 2/8 Lesson 3-5 Review**
 - Pronunciation Drills
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 - Review Characters (Hànzi) and Text
 - Classroom activity (课堂活动)
 - Homework: Make a dialogue on topic form Lesson 3-5

Week 5

- **Tue 2/13 Lesson 6 明天打算干什么 (Part1)**
 - Learn Characters (Hànzi): 明天, 星期, 晚上, 白天, 休息, 约会
 - Grammar : 时间表达 1(Expressions of time I)
 - Text: “你今天晚上有空吗?”
 - Homework: Hànzi on practice sheets

- **Thur 2/15 Lesson 6 明天打算干什么 (Part2)**
 - Learn Characters (Hànzi): 今天, 对不起, 做, 忙, 点 (钟)
 - Text: “明天星期几?”
 - Classroom activity (课堂活动)
 - Homework: Hànzi on practice sheets

Week 6

- **Tue 2/20 Lesson 7 你什么时候回来 (Part1)**
 - Learn Characters (Hànzi): 放假, 以前, 以后, 或者, 可是, 有点儿, 号 (日)
 - Grammar : 时间表达 2(Expressions of time II)
 - Text: “你生日是几月几号?”
 - Homework: Hànzi on practice sheets

- **Thur 2/22 Lesson 7 你什么时候回来 (Part2)**

- Learn Characters (Hànzi): 进来, 每, 刚, 一会儿, 上, 下
- Exercise : Direction Verbs
- Classroom activity (课堂活动)
- Homework: Hànzi on practice sheets

Week 7

- Tue 2/27 **Lesson 8 附近有没有银行 (Part1)**

- Learn Characters (Hànzi): 附近, 怎么, 前面, 拐, 马路, 就
- Grammar: Location words and Place expressions (方位表达)
- Text: “你家离这儿远不远?”
- Homework: Hànzi on practice sheets

- Thur 3/1 **Lesson 8 附近有没有银行 (Part2)**

- Learn Characters (Hànzi): 市中心, 告诉, 从, 到, 公共汽车, 然后
- Exercise: Place expressions
- Classroom activity (课堂活动)
- Homework: Hànzi on practice sheets

Week 8

- Tue 3/6 **Lesson 6-8 Review and Exercise**

- Characters (Hànzi) and Grammar
- Classroom activity (课堂活动)
- Text: lesson 6 – lesson 8
- Homework: Make a dialogue on topic form Lesson 6-8

- Thur 3/8 **Lesson 1-8 Review and Test**

- Exercise: Lesson 6 - 8
- Classroom activity (课堂活动)
- Test 1-8